

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Jean-Marc Inglese, et al.

**EQUIPMENT AND METHOD FOR
MEASURING DENTAL SHADE**

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This response is in reply to the Office Action mailed April 6, 2012, in which a Restriction Requirement was set forth relative to the Examiner-identified inventions of Group I (Claims 1-10 and 21-31) and Group II (Claims 11-20).

In response, Applicants elect the invention of Group I embodied in Claims 1-10 and 21-31, drawn to a dental shade measuring device and method.

The election is made without traverse for the purpose of expediting prosecution on the merits, and should not be deemed an admission or agreement with the Office Action.

It is believed that the application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration and favorable action are respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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